

Boston, March 18, 1869.

Dear friend May:

The Daily Advertiser, of this morning, contains the following announcement:—

The Trustees of the Jackson Will.—Upon the nomination of Mr. Garrison, Mr. Quincy and Mr. May, the Supreme Court have appointed Samuel E. Sewall of Melrose, William E. Coffin of Dorchester, William Endicott, jr., of Boston, and Ebenezer D. Draper of Milford, trustees, in place of those removed by the court, and Hannah E. Stevenson of Cambridge and William P. Atkinson of Cambridge, trustees, in place of those who had declined the trust.

Boston,

Mrs. Dresel, being a wife, had to give place to our friend Prof. Atkinson.

It is necessary that the newly appointed Trustees should attach their signatures to a paper, stating that they accept the trust conferred upon them by the Court. Mr. Davis has drawn up the said paper in legal form, and Mr. Sewall and Mr. Coffin have already signed it. Mr. Draper is out of the city, but will return to-morrow. Mr. Endicott was not in when I called, nor Miss Stevenson; but I shall try to get all the signatures in a day or two.

Would it not be properly complimentary, when we come together as a Board, to appoint our friend Mr. Sewall chairman? I hope you will consent to act as Secretary.

There is not the slightest need for your hurrying to Boston, or even making a special visit, on account of this matter; for the Freedmen's Commission will leave it to our entire convenience when to pay the bequest into its treasury.

I feel confident the persons we selected as substitutes will be highly satisfactory to the community at large.

I meant to have brought the letter you kindly sent me a few days since, with me into the city, for reference; but forgot to do so. I enjoyed your racy comments upon the boast in the official report of the A. S. Subscription Festival, that no sum so large had been realized "in the palmyest days of the cause."

Very truly yours,
Wm. Lloyd Garrison.